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FM AMEMBASSY DAKAR

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SUBJ: SENEGAL'S HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE MBAYE/
SECRETARY'S HUMAN RIGHTS SPEECH

REF: A.STATE 103642, B. STATE 98034, C. DAKAR 2558, D. STATE
89714, E. DAKAR 2880.

1. EMBASSY WARMLY ENDORSES PROPOSAL FOR INFORMAL MEETING
BETWEEN AMBASSADOR YOUNG AND SENEGALESE SUPREME COURT CHIEF
JUSTICE KEBA MBAYE FOR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON HUMAN RIGHTS
MACHINERY.

2. MBAYE IS PRESENTLY IN PARIS WHERE HE IS UNDERGOING
MEDICAL TREATMENT. MBAYE'S PRIVATE SECRETARY, WHO TALKED
WITH CHIEF JUSTICE BY TELEPHONE MAY 9, HAS INFORMED
CHARGE THAT MBAYE PLANS LEAVE PARIS MAY 16 FOR GENEVA
SPECIAL EXPERTS MEETING ON HUMAN RIGHTS. MBAYE WILL LEAVE
GENEVA ABOUT MAY 29 FOR DAKAR, WHERE HE WILL REMAIN UNTIL
JULY 24.

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3. CHIEF JUSTICE MBAYE WILL NOT RPT NOT ATTEND MAPUTO
CONFERENCE. HE DOES PLAN TO RETURN TO GENEVA ON JULY 25 FOR
RESUMPTION HUMAN RIGHTS SPECIAL EXPERTS MEETING WHICH HE
WOULD ATTEND FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK. HE THEN PLANS TO BE ON
VACATION, POSSIBLY IN EUROPE, FOR ENTIRE MONTH OF AUGUST.

4. MBAYE HAS SUGGESTED THAT ANY CONTACT WITH HIM DURING

COMING WEEK BE THROUGH HIS DAKAR OFFICE RATHER THAN THROUGH GOS EMBASSY IN PARIS. AFTER MAY 15 HE COULD BE CONTACTED THROUGH SENEGALESE AMBASSADOR IN GENEVA OR DIRECTLY AT PALACE OF NATIONS.

5. PURSUANT REF B, AMBASSADOR SENT LETTER TRANSMITTING COPY OF SECRETARY VANCE'S APRIL 30 HUMAN RIGHTS ADDRESS TO MBAYE. AMBASSADOR HAS RECEIVED REPLY DATED MAY 9 STATING THAT CHIEF JUSTICE READ SPEECH CAREFULLY. MBAYE'S LETTER SAID: "YOU KNOW THE POSITION OF MY COUNTRY ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTION. I HAVE ALWAYS TRIED TO DEFEND IT AT THE COMMISSION WITH THE MEASURE WHICH CHARACTERIZES OUR POLICY, BUT WITH ALL THE REQUIRED FIRMNESS. I MUST SAY FURTHER THAT I HAVE FOUND ON OCCASION IN MR. LOWENSTEIN, THE AMERICAN DELEGATE TO THE 33RD SESSION OF THE COMMISSION, AND INTERLOCUTOR WITH WHOM I WAS OFTEN IN ACCORD. FOR THAT REASON, I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE ADDRESS OF MR. VANCE STRIKES A VERY RESPONSIVE CHORD IN ME."

6. DEPT WILL RECALL THAT SENEGALESE GOVERNMENT SOLICITED US SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF KEBA MBAYE'S HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION SEAT DURING APRIL/MAY ECOSOC MEETING (REF C). AS INSTRUCTED (REF D), EMBASSY INFORMED SENEGALESE US WOULD GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO CANDIDACY OF MBAYE, WHOSE ABILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS IT HOLDS IN HIGH ESTEEM. WE INDICATED THAT NORMAL US PRACTICE IS TO DEFER TAKING POSITION UNTIL REGIONAL GROUPS' PREFERENCES ARE MADE KNOWN, THOUGH WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO SEE MBAYE OBTAIN AF GOUP'S ENDORSEMENT (REF E).
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7. DEPT PLEASE REPEAT AS DESIRED TO AMBASSADOR YOUNG. DAVIS

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